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ABSTRACT: A spline joint for joining panels constructed of fragile resilient material such as expanded polystyrene, to form a rigid assembly. The panels have a seat comprising at least a portion running the length of each abutting end to be joined. The spline is a relatively hard strip having barbed end portions which are embedded in the walls of the seat. A central shoulder rests in the seat permitting the panels to be pushed together so that the spline itself is not seen in the assembly.

